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Honorable Edward M. Kennedy  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

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Dear Senator Kennedy:

I have your letter of 25 September 1975 requesting information and documents related to certain experimental programs in which this Agency has been involved.

As you know, this same subject has been under investigation by the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and it would seem that additional inquiries into this area at this time would be duplicative of the considerable effort already put forth. I have today written to Senator Church suggesting that perhaps you and he could work out some procedure whereby duplication can be avoided at this time at least in some areas. A copy of that letter is attached.

Let me assure you that I will cooperate fully in whatever understanding is reached.

Sincerely,

/s/ W. E. Colby

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Director

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Honorable Frank Church, Chairman  
Select Committee to Study Governmental Operations  
With Respect to Intelligence Activities  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Forwarded herewith is a copy of a letter I received from Senator Edward Kennedy, Chairman of the Subcommittees on Administrative Practice and Procedure and Health. In essence the letter requests that I provide Senator Kennedy's Subcommittees a considerable amount of material related to certain experimental programs in which this Agency has participated.

As you know, this Agency has been cooperating with the Senate Select Committee for some time on the same subject matter. It would seem that Senator Kennedy's Subcommittee investigation parallels that of the Select Committee on this subject and that a separate response to Senator Kennedy would be a duplication of the substantial effort already expended on this matter. In as much as the Select Committee has already gone into these areas, you may wish to suggest to Senator Kennedy that in order to avoid duplication of effort he defer inquiries into CIA aspects of such programs until after the Select Committee has completed its investigation and issued its report on the subject.

Since Senator Kennedy has requested the information by October 3rd, I would appreciate an early response to the above suggestion. This matter has been discussed with Messrs. Miller, Bader and Maxwell of your staff.

Sincerely,

*W. E. Colby*

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